

April 15, 2011

Etobicoke York Community Council

Mimico 20/20 Community –Formation of an Implementation Team

I am requesting that the following matter be added to the Community Council agenda on April:21,2011
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Following on the very successful public visioning process and the associated Mimico 20/20: Revitalization Action Plan report approved by Community Council on October 13, 2009, Planning staff are about to commence a study to define the implementation framework that can achieve the vision.

Like other major recent revitalization efforts in the city including the Central Waterfront, the West Donlands and Regent Park, the Mimico waterfront has tremendous potential to become a contemporary, high quality, mixed income community.

Mimico also has a great many unique challenges that will require creative solutions to allow it to realize its potential. Most importantly, and unlike the other examples noted above, Mimico's revitalization will not involve complete replacement of existing buildings but rather a targeted set of strategies to renew good buildings, replace buildings that have reached the end of their useful life and add new buildings on underutilized land, all while addressing the City's various policy interests, including replacement of affordable rental housing that may be removed.

This plan will be a demonstration of the strategies required to enhance one of the City's largest Apartment Neighbourhoods. The new waterfront park system and boardwalk in the neighbourhood is an excellent example of a successful collective approach at work, an approach that can be expanded through organized implementation methods.

Recommendations:

1. That Etobicoke York Community Council direct the following, staff listed below, in consultation with the local councillor to report back to Community Council at its next meeting on a recommended makeup of a Mimico 20/20 Working Group Implementation Team .:

- City Manager
- Chief Planner
- Director, West District Community Planning,
- Director, Policy and Research
- Members of the City Planning and Consultant Team

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